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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6727

BILL NUMBER: SB 148

NOTE PREPARED: Dec 15, 2006

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: National Guard Death Benefit.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Bray

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill establishes a \$100,000 special death benefit for members of the National Guard who die on active duty. The bill makes an annual appropriation for this purpose.

Effective Date: Upon passage.

Explanation of State Expenditures: Under the bill, relatives of members of the National Guard who were Indiana residents and died while on active duty on or after the effective date of the bill, are entitled to a special death benefit of \$100,000. The benefit is to be paid from the state General Fund to: (1) the surviving spouse, (2) if there is no surviving spouse, the surviving children, or (3) if there is no surviving spouse and there are no surviving children, the parent or parents.

The bill requires the Adjutant General to adopt rules to make special death payments. The Adjutant General should be able to do so within his existing level of resources.

The bill makes an annual appropriation from the state General Fund to the Adjutant General in an amount which is sufficient to make the special death benefit payments provided for under the bill.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Adjutant General.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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